

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

I recently got cable TV for the first time -- and it was a real eye-opener. I had no idea that large media corporations (Fox, outlets) were so little interested in real informative news based on investigation, and instead endlessly repeat a particular viewpoint intended to serve their own interests. If the public is to retain control over the government ("government by the people, for the people"), they need real news and differing viewpoints, not prepackaged opinions that serve the interests of the media companies. Please do NOT turn over more control of the media to these powerful media companies. In this case, "deregulation" is really an exercise in choosing the large powerful media companies to win even more power.